

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-E-04-06

Issued at Juneau, Friday,
May 19, 2006

Effective 12:01 P.M. Friday,
Date: May 19, 2006

Expiration Date: 11:59 P.M. Friday,
June 30, 2006, unless superseded by
a subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION: The management provisions for District 11 specific to Taku River king salmon stipulate that when an allowable catch is available, sport fishing regulations will be: sport anglers may use two rods in all salt waters of District 11; a resident bag and possession limit of three king salmon 28 inches or greater in length; a nonresident bag and possession limit of two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length and an annual limit of 5 king salmon 28 inches or greater in length. The provisions of Emergency Order 01-KS-R-02-06 issued on April 14, 2006 remain in affect outside of the District 11 area, specifically the nonresident annual limit of four king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.

REGULATION: Consistent with 5 AAC 47.021(e) in the waters of District 11, including Taku Inlet north of a line from Cooper Point to the mouth of Dorothy Creek, the following regulations will become effective 12:01 P.M. Friday May 19, 2006:

- (A) sport anglers may use two rods;
 - (B) the resident bag and possession limit is three king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length;
 - (C) the nonresident bag and possession limit is two king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length;
- the nonresident annual limit is five king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length.

McKie Campbell
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Brian J. Glynn
Juneau Area Management Biologist
Division of Sport Fish

JUSTIFICATION: The saltwater sport fishery for Taku River king salmon is managed under guidelines outlined in 5AAC 47.021(e). This regulation directs the department to establish specific regulations for the waters of District 11 in years when an allowable catch of Taku Rive king salmon is determined. The initial inseason estimate of an allowable catch of 15,803 Taku River king salmon allows for instituting liberalized sport fishing regulations within the salt waters of District 11 as follows: the salt waters of Taku Inlet north of a line from Cooper Point to the mouth of Dorothy Creek that are closed to the taking of king salmon from April 16 – June 14 will be open to king salmon fishing; sport anglers may use two rods; the resident bag and possession limit is three king salmon 28 inches or greater in length; the nonresident bag and possession limit is two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length; and a nonresident annual limit of five king salmon 28 inches or greater in length.

These regulations unless modified due to future inseason run projections will be in effect until 12:01 A.M. June 30, 2006.

DISTRIBUTION: The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 1 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, P. O. Box 240020, Douglas, AK 99824, (907) 465-4270.